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DETROIT ARTISTS MARKET ANNOUNCES ITS 2010 ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP AND EXHIBITION PROGRAM WITH WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY

DETROIT, February 17, 2010 — The Detroit Artists Market proudly presents its 2010 *Annual Detroit Artists Market Scholarship and Exhibition Program* that includes the presentation of the scholarship awards to outstanding Wayne State University art students. The exhibition at Detroit Artists Market (DAM) will present the juried works of the three scholarship recipients along with the six other student finalists. Many distinguished alumni and faculty will, by invitation, also exhibit their work in this Scholarship Exhibition. The DAM exhibition will open with a public reception with the artists on **Friday, March 12th from 7-10 p.m.** The exhibition runs through April 17, 2010.

This year's exhibition and scholarship program commemorates the eighty years of collaboration and support of the arts and scholarship by Wayne State University and DAM.

The student finalists of the John F. Korachis Scholarship Awards are chosen by the DAM scholarship and exhibition committee. The selection process began with an open invitation to WSU art students and was concluded with individual studio visits and interviews with the finalists. After lengthy deliberations, the recipients of the awards and scholarships were finally chosen for their originality, sensitivity to subject matter and exceptional art work.

John Korachis, the founder of this scholarship program and committee chairman, made the following statement:

“During the recent studio visits with the scholarship finalists, it became quite evident that these student artists’ evolving philosophical ideas, experiences and knowledge were positively influencing their artistic expression. As these young artists embark on their artistic journey, they embrace a wide variety of interesting subjects and material. Their creative work product provides us with many examples of artistic exploration.

Art became the connecting bridge with one young artist’s cultural heritage. Another artist uses a variety of different media to create images that depict the everyday life experiences of the 21st century. The beauty of the Great Lakes state became the motive for the layers of colors placed on canvas by the artist in order

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to embrace this natural beauty. The representational abstract works inspired by a certain environment and light are demonstrated by the artist in a minimalism form so as to allow the viewer's mind to complete the image that is not fully defined on canvas. A still life portrait form is used to capture unexpectedly the human subject's private moment. Spectacular photographic images transform the collapse of the Midwest steel industry into archeological icons of our modern time.

The natural extension of the vast body of work containing the consciousness and intellectual integrity of this group of student artists along with the distinguished alumni and faculty of Wayne State University art school will be displayed at the forthcoming opening of Detroit Artists Market Scholarship Exhibition.”

The 2010 Wayne State University Annual Scholarship and Exhibition at the DAM will open on Friday, March 12th with members' preview from 6-7 p.m. and public reception with the artists from 7-10 p.m. The exhibition will close on Saturday, April 17, 2010.

A Gallery Talk, which will include the student finalists, will take place at the DAM on Saturday, April 17, 2010 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Sponsorship donors of this year's scholarship program include John F. Korachis; Gyro Creative Group; National Coney Island; Ronin Sushi-Royal Oak; Boloven, Tiano & Co., CPAs; Constantine George Pappas, AIA Architecture/Planning, Inc.; Cygnus Systems; Seaway Maintenance Services, L.L.C.; and Wayne State University, College of Fine, Performing & Communication Arts.

The Detroit Artists Market is located in the Detroit Cultural Center at 4719 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, MI 48201, three blocks south of the Detroit Institute of the Arts, and one block east of Wayne State University. The gallery is free and open to the public. Parking is available in the lot directly behind the DAM Gallery. Gallery hours are Tuesday-Saturday 11:00am-6:00pm. Visit online at www.detroitartistsmarket.org.

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Itchel Arriaga
Fly Home
36x24"



Rachel Bourgault
Leftovers
24x32"



Colleen Davis
Rebirth of Venus
30x40"

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Josephine C. Hazen
Self Portrait with Flower
12x18"

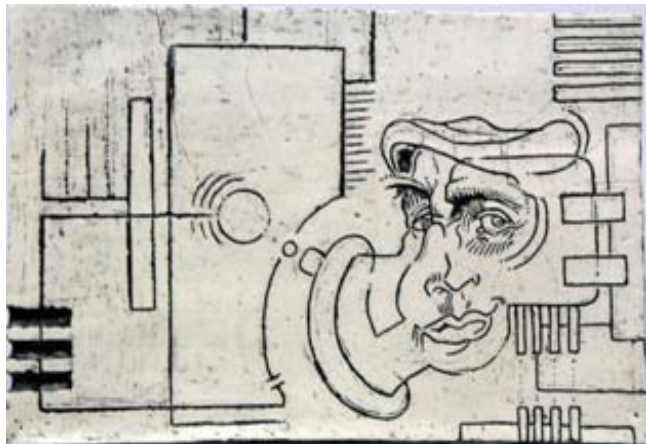


Jim Hittinger
House #2
30x40"



Deborah Kingery
Welcome to Braddock
24x30"

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Matthew Lachowski
*Can't cant of thieves, my face, it
wreathes*
12 3/4x8 3/4"



Eugenie D. McNamee
Ursula and the Corn



Patrick Kelly Wise
Marjorie 2
24x30"